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SUBJECT: SEMI-ANNUAL REVIEW OF COUNTRY PLAN PROJECTS

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1. POST CONTINUING WITH BASIC 12 PROJECTS REPORTED IN COUNTRY PLAN; THERE HAVE BEEN NO CANCELLATIONS OR MAJOR CHANGES. MAIN VARIABLE HAS BEEN DATE, WHICH DEPENDS ON AVAILABILITY OF SPEAKERS. STATUS OF EACH PROJECT FOLLOWS, WITH MOST RECENT COMMUNICATION CITED FOR REFERENCE. ONLY SPEAKER OR OTHER SUPPORT REQUESTED FROM WASHINGTON IS MENTIONED; IN MOST CASES WE HAVE IN ADDITION PLANNED A SERIES OF ACTIVITIES UTILIZING LOCAL OR REGIONAL SPEAKERS AND RESOURCES FOR CONTINUING EMPHASIS ON THESE THEMES.

2. KS-01, KS-04: ALTHOUGH AGENCY FOR SUPPORT PURPOSES IS CONSIDERING KS-04 "U.S. AS PACIFIC POWER" TOGETHER WITH KS-01 "U.S., JAPAN, KOREA TOWARD THE 1980S" POST IS CARRYING THEM OUT IN SEPARATE SEMINARS AND RELATED ACTIVITIES. KS-01 IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 25-26 AND SPEAKERS HAVE BEEN RECRUITED (STATE 004103; SEOUL 9798). KS-04 IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE;
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WE UNDERSTAND THAT CU IS RECRUITING SPEAKER(S) IN CONJUNCTION WITH TOKYO SEMINAR ON SAME TOPIC (BOFFINGER-JUE 0-1 OCT. 29 , 1976). IN SEOUL KS-04 WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN COOPERATION WITH ASIATIC RESEARCH CENTER 20TH ANNIVERSARY SEMINAR (SEOUL 10290). WE THEN PLAN TO USE THOSE SPEAKERS WHO CAN BE AVAILABLE FOR LONGER PERIOD TO HOLD A MORE SPECIALIZED SEMINAR AT ONE OF USIS BRANCHES FOR PROVINCIAL AUDIENCES. REQUEST REPLY SEOUL 10290.

3. KS-02 "AMERICAN DIRECT INVESTMENT ABROAD": CU HAS INFORMED US SPEAKER BEING RECRUITED FOR LATE JANUARY OR EARLY FEBRUARY BUT WE CANNOT PROCEED WITH ARRANGEMENTS WITHOUT FURTHER SPECIFIC SPEAKER INFORMATION (STATE 264147).

4. KS-03 "AMERICA IN RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT": FOR MAY PROGRAM POST IS USING AGENCY EXHIBIT "TODAY'S AMERICA" (USIA 8268) AND SPEAKERS RECRUITED LOCALLY AND FROM JAPAN, ALONG WITH OTHER SUPPORT MATERIALS.

5. KS-05 "CITIZEN GROUPS AND GOVERNMENT DECISION MAKING": SCHEDULED FOR SPRING, DEPENDING ON SPEAKER AVAILABILITY (JUE-BOFINGER 0-1 JAN. 4, 1977). REQUEST SPEAKER BE RECRUITED FOR APRIL IF THIS DATE DOES NOT CONFLICT WITH OTHER POSTS PLANNING SAME PROGRAM.

6. KS-06 "IMPLICATIONS OF ELECTION '76": THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN COMPLETED WITH SEVERAL LECTURE/CLCUSSIONS, OPEN FORUMS, EXHIBITS, VTRS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES. BASIC EMPHASIS HAS BEEN ON U.S. POLITICAL SYSTEM AND FOREIGN POLICY IMPLICATIONS, AND THIS PROGRAMMING IS CONTINUING WITH FOCUS ON THE NEW ADMINISTRATION. PLEASE KEEP POST ADVISED OF SPEAKERS AVAILABLE ON RELATED TOPICS.

7. KS-07 "POPULATION AND WORLD FOOD RESOURCES": SEMINAR SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 9. AMSPEC HAUSER ASSIGNED TO POPULATION ASPECT; POST HOPING REPLACEMENT WILL BE NAMED SOONEST FOR SEGMENT ON FOOD RESOURCES (SEOUL 0446).

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8. KS-08 "INTERNATIONAL TRADE": THIS PROJECT PARTIALLY COMPLETED WITH PROGRAM OF GUNTER DUFFY (SEOUL 9337). AS NOTED REFTEL, POST INTERESTED IN RETURN VISIT OF DUFY AND WOULD WELCOME NOTIFICATION OF SPEAKERS ON SIMILAR TOPICS.

9. KS-09 "ROLE OF CONGRESS IN FOREIGN POLICY": AWAITING NOTICE OF SPEAKER; PREFERRED DATE IS JUNE (SEOUL 7743; STATE 264147).

10. KS-10 "AMERICAN LAW TODAY": COMPLETED WITH NOVEMBER SEMINAR COSPONSORED WITH KOREAN LEGAL CENTER (SEOUL 9911). WILL FOLLOW UP WITH PROGRAM UTILIZING KUTLER (USIA 1808) AND APPRECIATE CONTINUED NOTICE OF SIMILAR SPEAKERS.

11. KS-11 "VISQL ARTS IN AMERICA": REQUEST INFORMATION ON AGENCY-PROJECTED EXHIBITS WHICH COULD BE USED IN THIS SERIES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE VISUAL MATERIALS. LOCALLY-PRODUCED VTRS AND LOCALLY-RECRUITED LECTURES ARE BEING PLANNED.

12. KS-12 "USE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY": WISH TO SCHEDULE
THIS FOR SEPTEMBER, DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF SUPPORT
RESOURCES. REQUEST THAT ICS, IN PREPARING MATERIALS AND
SPEAKERS, STRESS SOCIAL AND HUMAN ASPECT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY,
IN PARTICULAR ADDRESSING THE QUESTION NOW AMERICAN SOCIETY
ORGANIZES ITSELF FOR TECHNOLOGICAL CHANGE.
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